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1. OVIDIO LEFEBVRE'S HEALTH IS CONTINUING TO IMPROVE, THREE DAYS AFTER THE ARRIVAL OF THE KEY WITNESS IN THE LOCKHEED SCANDAL TRIAL FOLLOWING EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS FROM BRAZIL. LEFEBVRE ARRIVED IN A COMA WHICH APPEARED CRITICAL AND WITH MYSTERIOUS BRUISES ON HIS BODY. THE WITNESS-DEFENDANT'S VERSION OF HOW HE GOT THE BRUISES IS THAT HE FELL IN HIS CELL IN THE BRASILIA JAIL WHILE HE WAS PACKING HIS SUITCASES. AS FAR AS HIS UNCONSCIOUS STATE ON ARRIVAL IN ROME HE WAS ONLY ABLE TO SAY THAT HE HAD SWALLOWED FOUR PAIN KILLERS AND THAT HE HAD ASKED FOR ANOTHER FROM THE PRISON GUARD WHO HAD ACCOMPANIED HIM TO RIO DE JANEIRO BEFORE DEPARTURE FOR ITALY.

2. LEFEBVRE'S DOCTORS ANNOUNCED THAT THE PATIENT'S "FUNDAMENTAL PHYSIOLOGICAL" STATE IS BACK TO NORMAL AND THAT HE IS IN A STATE OF "NORMAL CONSCIOUSNESS" AND THEREFORE ABLE TO SPEAK EVEN THOUGH HE HAS BEEN FALLING ASLEEP EVERY FEW HOURS DURING THE PAST DAY. THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT MUST WAIT AT LEAST ANOTHER 24 HOURS BEFORE QUESTIONING LEFEBVRE WHILE 3 COURT APPOINTED DOCTORS CHECK ON HIS MENTAL CONDITION.
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3. THERE HAS BEEN SOME NEWSPAPER SPECULATION ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF FOUL PLAY TO PREVENT LEFEBVRE FROM TESTIFYING ON THE CASE. HOLMES

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